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In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 9, 2000, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

At page 7, line 15, after "notch", please delete "17" and substitute therefor --16--.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice amended) An electrochemical sensor for analytic determination using a liquid sample, comprising a substantially flat strip having a thickness, the strip having at least two lateral edges, a sample-receiving cell within the strip, at least two electrodes in communication with the cell, and a notch through the entire thickness of the strip in at least one of the lateral

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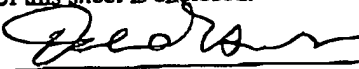
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